

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
Committee of the Whole Meeting
Thursday, October 15, 2009

The committee of the whole of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (SBCJC) met at 6:00 p.m. at Huntington's Grille in Jackson and then reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the Hattiesburg Room of the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, on October 15, 2009.

Members present: Mr. Bubba Hudspeth, Mr. Napoleon Moore, Mr. Max Huey, and Mr. Ed Perry. Members joining by phone for discussion purposes only were: Mr. George Walker, Mr. Bruce Martin, and Mr. Chip Crane. Members absent were: *Mrs. Patricia Dickens and Mr. Bobby Steinriede.*

Guest in attendance: Mr. Chuck Rubisoff, Office of the Attorney General

SBCJC Staff in attendance: Dr. Eric Clark, Dr. Fiona Qualls, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert, and Mrs. Missy Saxton.

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairman Bubba Hudspeth called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A phone conversation took place between the members, guest and staff in attendance, as well as those joining by phone, regarding the SBCJC's budget. No motions were made and the only discussions that took place were pertaining to the agency budget.

Dr. Clark reported that he and Mrs. Deborah Gilbert had met with Mr. Johnny Franklin and other members of the Governor's staff regarding the budget last week. The Governor's office is very concerned with the FY 2011 budget, and it is expected that the Governor will recommend an FY 2011 budget below what was appropriated for FY 2010. There has already been a five percent cut in the FY 2010 budget. Dr. Clark stated that while the CJC system's enrollment is booming and the CJC system provides training for skilled jobs, we need to continually stress the good that our system does for the state's citizens.

Dr. Fiona Qualls did not have a report but will provide one at the Friday meeting.

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert provided the following information regarding the Finance agenda:

Attachment 1 is the approval request for the General Fund Disbursement out of Fund 2298 in the amount of \$10,706,893.00, for November 2009. This will require approval.

Attachment 2 is the approval request for the Education Enhancement Fund Disbursements out of Fund 4080 in the amount of \$2,783,465.00 and Fund 4110 in the amount of \$82,112.00, totaling \$2,865,577.00, effective October 31, 2009. This will require approval.

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Attachment 3 is the Update on the Education Enhancement Reductions in FY 2010. This is for informational purposes only and does not require approval.

Attachments 4a and 4b are Financial Statements for General Fund 2291 and Special Funds as of September 30, 2009. These are for informational purposes only and do not require approval.

Attachment 5 is the Purchasing Approval request for the Delta Initiative contract which will evaluate the SBCJC's current Blackboard Outcomes Assessment solution. The contract cost is \$29,000 plus up to \$1,500 for travel associated with the project. The total value of the contract is \$30,500. This will require approval.

Attachment 6 is a handout that shows the balance in the staff flower fund, as well as the Board Members flower fund. Board members will be reminded in November, per their request.

There being no other business, Acting Chairman Hudspeth adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Recorded by:


Missy Saxton, Executive Assistant


Mr. George Walker, Chairman


Dr. Eric Clark, Executive Director